Law Enforcement Needs for Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program - 2008/2009 6/2/2009 Agency: USFS - Mendocino/Six Rivers NF - Patrol District Application: Law Enforcement - Mendocino NF

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ITEM 1. Proposed Project

LE activities on the Mendocino NF include public information, education and enforcement, incident management, resource monitoring and protection, crime prevention, restitution, signing and barrier installation consistent with the Forest's "OHV Law Enforcement Plan." The LE Plan provides patrol coverage for public safety, wildlife, soils and habitat protection while sustaining OHV recreation opportunities on 252 miles of motorcycle, ATV and 4WD/dune buggy routes, 1,152 miles of roughly graded roads and 10 acres of open riding area within the Forest's 914,000 acres. These routes are complemented by six highly developed OHV staging areas. The Plan supports enforcement of all laws pertaining to OHV operation; emphasizing noise levels, resource protection and prevention of OHV trespass. LE activities stress public contact, face-to-face information and education, violation prevention, signing and protective barrier installation. MNF's OHV program is widely known as a "model" of successful and innovative management by both the OHV community and environmental interest groups.

This request supports U.S. Forest Service direction requiring OHVs on public lands to be "controlled and directed so as to protect the resources of those lands, to promote the safety of all users of those lands and to minimize conflicts among the various uses of those lands (Travel Management Rule – November 9, 2005, 36 CFR part 212)."

Over the last five years OHV visitation on the MNF has increased 16%, from 128,798 to 152,714. Patrols provide interaction with the OHV public; reaching beyond the staging areas to the Forest's extensive trail system and remote areas. The MNF provides family oriented OHV recreation, and maintains a history of diligent enforcement of OHV laws indicative of these efforts.

The following OHV law enforcement statistics were recorded in 2006 and 2007: 113 Violation Notices (2006) / 115 (2007); 76 Warning Notices (2006) / 78 (2007); 69 Incident Reports (2006) / 70 (2007); 13 Violation of State Law (2006) / 52 in (2007).

LEOs patrol in the OHV emphasis areas on a regular basis. Funding for reoccuring LEO patrol is not requested in this grant application. On holiday weekends LE will provide extended coverage up to 12 hours each day, including night patrols This is the only grant funding requested for LEO staff. LEO coverage is augmented by 42 pay periods shared by up to six FPOs. FPOs enforce most OHV related laws as well as other resource, recreation and use related laws. OHV LE coverage is further supported by Cooperative Law Enforcement Agreements with Colusa, Tehama, and Lake County Sheriff's Offices. These agreements provide extra coverage for county officers to assist during OHV events and holiday weekends. The use of radar and GPS units, Alcohol Screen Devices, and decibel meters are integral for dealing with all aspects of OHV LE in an accurate and professional manner. The Forest has conducted sound checks during 22 organized Enduro events, 11 courtesy sound-check clinics and hundreds of routine and visitor requested compliance tests. In 2006, 17 injury accidents were recorded, with nine recorded in 2007. All OHV Technicians, FPOs, and LEOs are trained to assist the Sheriff's Office in Search and Rescue and injury accidents.

Maps, brochures, and signs are provided at staging areas, administrative sites and along Forest access routes. The MNF website provides updated information including current operating conditions and closures, as do 24-hour telephone recordings.

The Forest is experiencing a significant increase in hunters using ATVs. Funding assistance will continue efforts to educate this user group about the importance of staying on designated routes, spark arrestor requirements, legal sound levels, registration, riding double and helmet laws. Labor and cost effective no-dig barriers, fencing and gates were invented on the Mendocino NF and provide protection to sensitive resource and restoration areas.

Volunteers continue to play an important role in OHV enforcement efforts by helping to educate OHV users and by observing and reporting violations. Volunteer efforts include pre-event sound testing and spark arrestor checks and post event route condition evaluations. Volunteers also assist with traffic control during OHV events. The Colusa County Sheriff's Volunteer Civilian Search and Rescue Team provides on-site emergency response coverage for all enduro events hosted on the Grindstone RD.

ITEM 2. Project Coverage

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MENDOCINO

Within the congressional boundary of the Mendocino NF are approximately 914,000 acres of national forest system lands. The LE Plan provides patrol coverage for public safety and protection for wildlife, soils and habitat while sustaining OHV recreation opportunities on 252 miles of motorcycle, ATV and 4WD/ routes. In addition to the designated OHV routes, there are 1,152 miles of roughly graded roads and 10 acres of open riding area legally accessible to OHVs within the Forest's 914,000 acres. These routes are complemented by six highly developed designated OHV staging areas. This encompasses those portions of the counties of Tehama, Glenn, Colusa, Lake and Mendocino within the congressional boundary of the Mendocino National Forest.

ITEM 3. Describe the frequency of the patrols

MENDOCINO and SIX RIVERS

Law Enforcement Officers (LEOs) and Forest Protection Officers (FPOs) will provide regular reoccuring patrols of the OHV emphasis areas during the OHV season and hunting season which would primarily consist of all weekends and holidays for the enforcement of OHV laws, resource protection and public safety. LEOs and FPOs will also provide additional patrols on all special events including Enduros and Dual Sport events.

FPOs generally work during the daylight hours. They will provide the needed enforcement presence during these times, specifically in those areas accessible by vehicle. The FPO patrols will be augmented by LEOs who have staggered days off during the week but are available 24/7 for incident response.

ITEM 4. Deployment of Personnel

Law Enforcement staffing on the Mendocino and the Six Rivers NFs has increased from six in 2007 to eleven currently. This staffing level allows for shift flexibility and increased coverage throughout the OHV season. At any time, any number of the eleven LEOs can be pulled from their respective areas and assigned to the "hot spots."

The Mendocino is staffed with seven full range Law Enforcement Officers and seven Forest Protection Officers. In addition, during the four major holiday weekends (Thanksgiving, Martin Luther King, Presidents Day and Easter) up to four full range Law Enforcement Officers are deployed from the surrounding forests. During these holiday weekends and special events, LEO shifts are staggered to better meet the needs of the public and to ensure safety for both the riders and FPOs.

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1.	Identify areas with high priority law enfor		<u> </u>		and sensitiv	⁄e
	On the Mendocino NF, the Fout Springs Creek, Old Mill and Mill Valley), Little Stoon the Grindstone District and Deer Vall Lake Pillsbury Basin, Catfish Pond (Snothe Upper Lake District are the highest cultural resources as well as sensitive highest safety are paramount.	ony OHV Staging Ar ey OHV Staging Are w Mountain Wildern enforcement prioritie	rea, Grassy Patch, Rattlesna ea, Penny Pines, Middle Creess is adjacent) and the Yuk s for the Mendocino NF. Ea	ake Ridge and ek OHV Stag ki Wilderness ach of these a	d Doe Peak ing Area, Corridor o ireas have	k n
2.	Describe how the proposed Project relative highway access to non-motorized recreations.					
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3.	Describe the Applicant's formal or inform	nal cooperation with	other law enforcement ager	ncies:		
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4.	Does the Applicant recover a portion of with privately sponsored OHV events when (Please select Yes or No)			C Yes	€ No	
	Explain					
	Although fees are collected in return for fees are not a significant source of fundi	•		-		SS.
5.	The Applicant agrees to implement a pu on safety programs available in the area select Yes or No)			Yes	C No	
6.	Describe the Applicant's OHV law enforce personnel to address OHV safety and na		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	ng program e	educates	
	Mandatory OHV safety training is require duty. This training ensures that enforcer		·	in the perforn	nance of th	eir

In additon, Forest Service enforcement personnel are specifically trained to identify and address natural and cultural resource protection. These skills are inherent to their duties.

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safety and address unsafe OHV operation.

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1.	Is the proposed project in accordance with local or federal plans and the OHMVR Yes No Division Strategic Plan? (Please select Yes or No)
8.	LOCAL AGENCIES ONLY - Describe the Applicant's policies and/or agreements regarding enforcement on federal land:
9.	COUNTIES ONLY - Describe how the OHV in-lieu of tax funds are being used and whether the use of these fees complements the Applicant's project:
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10.	APPLICANTS WHO MANAGE OHV RECREATION FACILITIES – Describe how your organization is meeting its operation and maintenance needs:
	The Mendocino and Six Rivers NF Patrol District does not operate or manage OHV recreation facilities.
11.	The Applicant agrees to enforce the registration of OHVs and the other provision of Division 16.5 commencing with Section 38000 of the vehicle code and to enforce other applicable laws regarding the operation of OHVs? (Please select Yes or No)

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APPLICANT NAME :	USFS - Mendocino/Six Rivers NF - Pa	trol District			
PROJECT TITLE :	Law Enforcement - Mendocino NF			PROJECT NUMBER (Division use only) :	
PROJECT TYPE :	Acquisition	Development	Education		Ground Operations
	Law Enforcement	Planning	Restorati	on	
PROJECT DESCRIPTION:	prevention, restitution, signing and bar public safety, wildlife, soils and habitat routes, 1,152 miles of roughly graded highly developed OHV staging areas. protection and prevention of OHV tres protective barrier installation. MNF's C and environmental interest groups. This request supports U.S. Forest Serlands, to promote the safety of all user November 9, 2005, 36 CFR part 212). Over the last five years OHV visitation beyond the staging areas to the Fores history of diligent enforcement of OHV The following OHV law enforcements:	protection while sustaining OHV recre- roads and 10 acres of open riding area. The Plan supports enforcement of all la- pass. LE activities stress public contact. HV program is widely known as a "mod- vice direction requiring OHVs on public is of those lands and to minimize conflic." on the MNF has increased 16%, from it's extensive trail system and remote a laws indicative of these efforts. It is a law indicative of these efforts on a regular basis. Funding for reocured up to 12 hours each day, included as shared by up to six FPOs. FPOs efforts are integral for dealing with all a ganized Enduro events, 11 courtesy so the recorded, with nine recorded in 2007, and a staging areas, administrative site of conditions and closures, as do 24-hours increase in hunters using ATVs. Fund the properties of the increase in hunters using ATVs. Fund the properties in the increase in hunters using ATVs. Fund the increase in hunters using A	est's "OHV Law ation opportunit within the Fore ws pertaining to, face-to-face ir del" of successful lands to be "cots among the values. The MNF of 128,798 to 152, leas. The MNF of 128, leas. The MNF of 128, leas. The MNF of 128, leas. The MNF of 148, least of 152, least	Enforcement Plan." The I lies on 252 miles of motor st's 914,000 acres. These of OHV operation; emphasis of other operation and education, and innovative manage outrolled and directed so a various uses of those land of the provides family oriented on Notices (2006) / 115 (2007). The lies of the land of th	LE Plan provides patrol coverage for cycle, ATV and 4WD/dune buggy eroutes are complemented by six sizing noise levels, resource violation prevention, signing and ement by both the OHV community as to protect the resources of those is (Travel Management Rule – raction with the OHV public; reaching OHV recreation, and maintains a mother application. On holiday anding requested for LEO staff. LEO other resource, recreation and use ma, and Lake County Sheriff's and Lake County Sheriff's has eand visitor requested compliance are trained to assist the Sheriff's and helmet laws. Labor and cost source and restoration areas. Serving and reporting violations.

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	Line Item	Qty	Rate	UOM	Grant Request	Match	Total
REC	T EXPENSES						
ogra	m Expenses						
	Staff						
	Law Enforcement Officers Notes: 8 LEOs (7 Mendocino) with increased staffing; 100 days per year as has been in past funding cycles.	700.000	447.470	DAY	0.00	313,229.00	313,229.00
	Law Enforcement Officers Notes: 8 LEOs (7 Mendocino, 1 Six Rivers reassigned) reflecting increased staffing to cover overtime for holiday weekends and special events (Enduros and Dual Sport).	147.000	447.470	DAY	65,778.00	0.00	65,778.00
	Other-GRD OHV Tech/FPO GS-7 Notes :	100.000	270.450	DAY	27,045.00	0.00	27,045.00
	Other-GRD OHV Tech/FPO GS-6 Notes :	20.000	190.870	DAY	3,817.00	0.00	3,817.00
	Other-GRD Recreation Tech GS-6 Notes :	40.000	201.230	DAY	8,049.00	0.00	8,049.00
	Other-GRD Volunteers Notes:	1.000	332.000	YR	0.00	332.00	332.00
	Other-ULRD OHV Tech/FPO GS-7 Notes :	100.000	256.020	DAY	25,602.00	0.00	25,602.00
	Other-ULRD OHV Tech/FPO GS-6	50.000	211.390	DAY	10,570.00	0.00	10,570.00
	Other-ULRD Recreation Tech GS-6	40.000	220.870	DAY	8,835.00	0.00	8,835.00
	Other-ULRD Volunteers	1.000	912.000	YR	0.00	912.00	912.00
	Total for Staff				149,696.00	314,473.00	464,169.00

	Line Item	Qty	Rate	UOM	Grant Request	Match	Total
3	Materials / Supplies						
	Safety Equipment Notes: Mendocino: 7 sets of motorcycle/ATV safety equipment for 5 new LEOs and existing 2FPOs.	7.000	1000.000	SET	7,000.00	0.00	7,000.00
	Other-GRD Barriers Notes : Barrier replacement	1.000	2000.000	MISC	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
	Other-GRD OHV Regulation Signs	1.000	4500.000	YR	4,500.00	0.00	4,500.00
	Other-GRD FPO EMT/SAR Supplies	1.000	2500.000	YR	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00
	Other-GRD Sound Meter Calibration	4.000	750.000	YR	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00
	Other-ULRD Regulation Signs	1.000	4500.000	YR	4,500.00	0.00	4,500.00
	Other-ULRD Medical Supplies	1.000	1000.000	YR	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
	Other-ULRD Barriers	1.000	2000.000	YR	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
	Other-ULRD Sound Meter Calibration	4.000	750.000	YR	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00
	Total for Materials / Supplies				29,500.00	0.00	29,500.00
4	Equipment Use Expenses						
	Vehicle Operations and Maintenance Notes: Mendocino: one 1/2 Ton Pickup for 5000 miles at \$.38	1.000	1900.000	MI	1,900.00	0.00	1,900.00
	Vehicle Operations and Maintenance Notes: Mendocino: one 3/4 Ton Pickup for \$371 per month for 5 months	1.000	1855.000	MOS	1,855.00	0.00	1,855.00
	Vehicle Operations and Maintenance Notes: Mendocino: one 1/2 Ton Pickup at \$302 per month for 5 months	1.000	1510.000	MOS	1,510.00	0.00	1,510.00
	Vehicle Operations and Maintenance Notes : Mendocino: one 1Ton Pickup for 1 month	1.000	280.000	MOS	280.00	0.00	280.00

Line Item	Qty	Rate	UOM	Grant Request	Match	Total
Vehicle Operations and Maintenance Notes : Mendocino: one 3/4 Ton Pickup at \$320 per month for four months	1.000	1280.000	MOS	1,280.00	0.00	1,280.00
Vehicle Operations and Maintenance Notes : Mendocino: one 3/4 Ton Pickup at \$560 per month for two months	1.000	560.000	MOS	560.00	0.00	560.00
Vehicle Operations and Maintenance Notes: Mendocino: one 3/4 Ton Utility at \$361per month for two months	1.000	722.000	MOS	722.00	0.00	722.00
Vehicle Operations and Maintenance Notes : Mendocino: one 3/4 Ton Pickup for 2000 miles at \$.56	1.000	1120.000	МІ	1,120.00	0.00	1,120.00
Vehicle Operations and Maintenance Notes : Mendocino: one 3/4 Ton Utility for 100 miles at \$.67	1.000	670.000	МІ	670.00	0.00	670.00
Vehicle Operations and Maintenance Notes: Mendocino: one motorcycle for six months at \$216 each month.	1.000	1296.000	MOS	1,296.00	0.00	1,296.00
Vehicle Operations and Maintenance Notes : Mendocino: one LEO ATV for a year to total \$1000	1.000	1000.000	YR	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
Vehicle Operations and Maintenance Notes : Mendocino: one FPO Motorcycle/ATV use and repair for one year	1.000	1500.000	YR	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00
Vehicle Operations and Maintenance Notes: Mendocino: one LEO Motorcycle use and repair for one year.	1.000	1500.000	YR	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00
Vehicle Operations and Maintenance Notes : Mendocino: one Motorcycle/ATV use and repair for one year	1.000	600.000	YR	600.00	0.00	600.00
Vehicle Operations and Maintenance	1.000	4550.000	MI	4,550.00	0.00	4,550.00

Line Item Qty Rate UOM **Grant Request** Match Total Notes: Mendocinco: one 3/4 Ton Pickup for 7000 miles at \$.65 Vehicle Operations and Maintenance 1.000 1005.000 MI 1.005.00 0.00 1,005.00 Notes: Mendocino: one 1Ton Pickup for 1500 miles at \$.67 Vehicle Operations and Maintenance 1.000 1400.000 MI 1,400.00 0.00 1,400.00 Notes: Mendocino: one 3/4 Ton Pickup for 2500 miles at \$.56 Vehicle Operations and Maintenance 2.000 6060.000 MOS 0.00 12,120.00 12,120.00 Notes: Mendocino: two LEO vehicles at \$505 a month for 12 months Total for Equipment Use Expenses 22.748.00 12.120.00 34.868.00 **Equipment Purchases** Other-Trailer 1.000 7000.000 EA 7.000.00 0.00 7.000.00 Notes: ATV/Motorcycle enclosed trailer for two ATVs and safety equipment for GRD 8500.000 EA Other-ATV with equipment 1.000 8,500.00 0.00 8,500.00 Notes: 1 LE ATV outfitted with equipment including lights and siren for GRD 3550.000 EA Other-video camera 2.000 7,100.00 0.00 7,100.00 Notes: Two video recorder cameras for the ULRD LEOs. See

Total for Equipment Purchases 22,600.00 6 Others

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TOTAL DIRECT EXPENSES

572,881.00

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TOTAL EXPENDITURES				224,544.00	348,337.00	572,881.00	

	Line Item	Grant Request	Match	Total	Narrative
DIREC	T EXPENSES				
Progra	m Expenses				
1	Staff	149,696.00	314,473.00	464,169.00	Some of the staff members are not full time employees and consequently may employeed for a different number of days.
					Also, GRD stands for the Grindstone Ranger District and ULRD stands for the Upper Lake Ranger District.
2	Contracts	0.00	0.00	0.00	
3	Materials / Supplies	29,500.00	0.00	29,500.00	
4	Equipment Use Expenses	22,748.00	12,120.00	34,868.00	Different rates are requested due to the difference in vehicle type and FOR costs. Also, these vehicle will not all be used at the same time.
5	Equipment Purchases	22,600.00	0.00	22,600.00	An enclosed trailer will help with the overal longevity of the ATVs and safety equipment as well as providing better security of the units on the GRD.
					No OHV has been purchased on the GRD in the last five years.
					Two video recorders are for two ULRD LEOs. This camera records up to 60 seconds prior to activating "record." The camera and this special feature allows the officer to better identify a violator when only seen for a very short duration, or in large groups and wearing safety equipment

					which can hides identity. The cameras will also help during court proceedings when securing restitution for damages to the land.
6	Others	0.00	0.00	0.00	
7	Administrative Costs	0.00	21,744.00	21,744.00	
Total Program Expenses		224,544.00	348,337.00	572,881.00	
TOTAL DIRECT EXPENSES		224,544.00	348,337.00	572,881.00	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		224,544.00	348,337.00	572,881.00	

Environmental Review Data Sheet (ERDS) for Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program - 2008/2009
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Application: Law Enforcement - Mendocino NF

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	TEM 1 and ITEM 2	
	ITEM 1	
a.	ITEM 1 - Has a CEQA Notice of Determination (NOD) been filed for the Project? Yes No (Please select Yes or No)	
	ITEM 2	
b.	ITEM 2 - Are the proposed activities a "Project" under CEQA Guidelines Section 15378? Yes (Please select Yes or No)	
C.	The Application is requesting funds solely for personnel and support to enforce OHV laws Yes and ensure public safety. These activities would not cause any physical impacts on the environment and are thus not a "Project" under CEQA. (Please select Yes or No)	
d.	Other. Explain why proposed activities would not cause any physical impacts on the environment and are thus a "Project" under CEQA. DO NOT complete ITEMS $3-9$	not
I	TEM 3 - Impact of this Project on Wetlands	
ı	TEM 4 - Cumulative Impacts of this Project	
ı	TEM 5 - Soil Impacts	
ı	TEM 6 - Damage to Scenic Resources	
ı	TEM 7 - Hazardous Materials	
	Is the proposed Project Area located on a site included on any list compiled pursuant to Yes Section 65962.5 of the California Government Code (hazardous materials)? (Please select Yes or No)	
	If YES, describe the location of the hazard relative to the Project site, the level of hazard and the measures to taken to minimize or avoid the hazards.	be
ı	TEM 8 - Potential for Adverse Impacts to Historical or Cultural Resources	
	Would the proposed Project have potential for any substantial adverse impacts to Yes No historical or cultural resources? (Please select Yes or No)	
	If YES, describe the potential impacts and for any substantially adverse changes in the significance of historical cultural resources and measures to be taken to minimize or avoid the impacts.	al or
ı	TEM 9 - Indirect Significant Impacts	
(CEQA/NEPA Attachment	

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